

REMARKS

This Amendment and Request for Reconsideration is submitted contemporaneously with the presently-filed Request for Continued Examination (RCE) for application Serial No. 10/732,960, in response to the Final Office Action mailed on 6 June 2006 and the Advisory Action of 6 September 2006.

In the Final Office Action of 6 June 2006, the Examiner allowed claims 11-13 but maintained rejection of claims 1-10 and 14-21. In response, the Applicant respectfully acknowledges the Examiner's indication of allowability of claims 11-13.

In the same Final Office Action, the Examiner maintained the rejection of claims 1-10 and 14-21. In response, the Applicant amends claims 1, 5, 14, 16-19, and 21 and cancels claim 20. The Applicant respectfully requests entry of this amendment and reconsideration of the application as amended. The Applicant respectfully submits that no new matter has been entered by such amendment; amended claims 1, 5, 14, 16-19, and 21 are fully supported by the application as originally filed.

In particular, in the Final Office Action of 6 June 2006, the Examiner rejected claims 1-10 and 14-21 of the present application under 35 U.S.C. § 102(e) and 103(a) based on U.S. Patent No. 6,311,055 B1 to Boltz, U.S. Patent No. 6,295,447 B1 to Reichert et al., and U.S. Patent No. 6,081,731 to Boltz et al. In response, the Applicants respectfully disagree and submit that the rejected claims as amended are allowable over the prior art of record for at least the following reasons.

The present application is directed to restricting particular long distance telephone calls made from a wireless communication device. The long distance restriction information includes information indicative of one or more allowable/disallowable country codes or area codes. According to the present application, these restrictions are

provided through use of a *host enterprise server of a private communication network of an enterprise which includes an individual user of the wireless device* and which is outside of the wireless network within which the wireless device operates. The long distance call restrictions may be, for example, managed by an IT department of a corporation which has authority or control over the wireless device.

The prior art of record, taken alone or in combination, do not teach or suggest long distance call restrictions provided through use of a host enterprise server of a private communication network of an enterprise which includes an individual user of the wireless device. In particular, Boltz do not teach or suggest the use of a host enterprise server of a private network of an enterprise (e.g. managed by an IT department) for maintaining storage of long distance restriction information. Instead, Boltz teaches the use of a database in the SS7 signaling network (not a private network of an enterprise which includes the individual) or other public databases/networks. Thus, private control by the enterprise may not be easily obtained by Boltz.

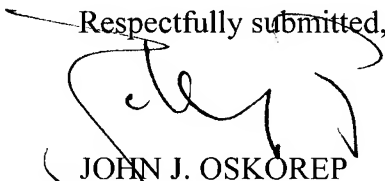
As apparent, the present invention as defined by the amended claims is advantageous over the prior art of record in that *private* control may be provided for restricting long distance calls, separate from the governing wireless and telephony network, in a flexible and convenient manner for enterprises such as companies and corporations.

Other arguments for patentability are apparent but considered moot in light of the arguments already presented.

The Applicant request entry of this Amendment and reconsideration of the claims. The Applicant respectfully submits that the application as amended is now in a condition suitable for allowance.

Thank you. Please feel free to contact the undersigned if it would expedite the prosecution of the present application.

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